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GILA VALLEY NEWS

Items of Interest Gathered by the Guardian's Correspondents.

THATCHER

Miss Jessie Fugate went to Globe to spend the holiday vacation with her home folks.

Mrs. Elizabeth Layton entertained a number of relatives and friends at her home Christmas Day.

Milo and Annie Gale and Ruth Pace, went to their homes at Franklin to spend their holiday vacation.

Miss Ledwidge, who is teaching school at Pima, spent several days this week as the guest of Miss Anna Hadsell.

John and Powell Cosby and wives of Benson, are spending the holiday week with relatives and friends in Thatcher.

George H. Crosby, Elam Olsen and Mr. Freestone, of Layton, were visitors at the Thatcher M. I. A. Sunday evening.

J. [illegible] Hudson, who has been working at Globe for the past few months, came up to spend the holiday week with his mother.

A number of field sports, such as horse racing, foot racing, ball playing, boxing, etc., were enjoyed by the young men on the Academy campus Christmas afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Coplan were made happy by the arrival of twin babies at their home on the 23d. The little boy and girl were not much ahead of Santa Claus.

The seventh and eighth grades of the district school had a pleasant social Christmas Eve. An appropriate program was rendered, after which cake, pie, candy and nuts were served.

The Young Men's Association have collected a liberal sum, with which they expect to put in a gymnasium in the immediate future, for the amusement and developement of the young men.

Mrs. T. M. Lee has come from England to join her husband. He met her at Bowie and they came to Thatcher Sunday evening. Mrs. Lee is delighted with the sunshine of Arizona. She says it is a great contrast to the damp, foggy climate of England.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Phillips entertained a number of their relatives and friends Christmas Day. A choice dinner was served soon after noon. A pretty Christmas tree had been prepared for the children, which made a very pleasant afternoon for all.

E. M. W. Jones is building a house on his lot recently purchased from Alfred Cluff on Church avenue. Thomas Naylor has completed the foundation for a commodious house on Depot street. The new bank building, on the corner of Depot and Main Streets, is progressing nicely. The artistic and commodious homes of A. C. Peterson and Mr. Stewart, both on Depot street, are both receiving their finishing touches. Thatcher is growing, and is destined to be the favorite residence city in the near future.

Lorenzo Layton, who has just returned from a two years' mission to the Southern States, was a visitor at the Academy Thursday. Miss Brundage, of Mesa, a former student of the Academy, also made a visit there. Both spoke to the students for a short time.

Ezra Curtis and Miss Katie Blazzard were married at the bride's home, Friday afternoon. A small number of relatives and friends witnessed the marriage and participated in the feast. Mr. Curtis is one of Thatcher's substantial young men, and Miss Blazzard has ever been a useful and popular young woman. They have the best wishes of the entire community.

The zoology class of the Academy gave a Zoological Zanzibo Wednesday evening. The board, the faculty and the class, with their partners, were the participants of the feast. A short program was rendered, after which Prof. Wixom and his class led the guests to the basement, where tables reaching the entire length of the long hall were prettily decorated and elaborately spread. Most every kind of meat and fish procurable were served up in the most dainty style. These were accompanied by many other good things. The guests pronounced it the nicest thing of its kind ever given in Thatcher.

The Young Men's and Young Ladies' Association will plan and manage all the sports of the ward in the future. A number of committees have been appointed. Among them are: A committee on field sports, a committee on general entertainment, a committee on lectures, debates, etc., and a committee on music and drama. All the committees are to work in their special lines and meet with the officers once a week to report. An organization desiring to give an entertainment, must first consult the amusement committees. It is hoped that this step will be the means of furnishing high-class amusement for the young.

A pretty and interesting social was given in the primary department of the district school, under the management of Miss Freeland and Mrs. Rhoads the day before Christmas. The mothers of all the little children were invited and this was made their special day. Committees were appointed among the little folks, and all of them carried out their parts with great gallantry. The reception committee, consisting of six boys and six girls, met and shook hands with the mothers at the door, and escorted them to seats. The entertainment committee conducted the games, each little one leading a mother out to join them in their games. After various games the little boys led the little girls out on the floor to dance the Virginia reel (in which they had been previously trained). After this the boys led out the mothers for the same dance. After the games and dancing were over, the little folks each selected a mother and escorted her to the lunch room, where the committee was waiting to pass refreshments of fig sandwiches, tied with raffia, pickles, fruit, cookies, punch served in tiny cups, and last came tiny sticks of candy. Older people could not rival the little ones in their splendid entertainment. Both the mothers and the children were delighted with the success of the afternoon.

PIMA

The primary gave the children a dance Wednesday afternoon.

Bishop P. C. Merrill and his councilors, J. T. White and W. C. McBride, are making a tour of the ward and holding cottage meetings in different homes.

The dance and supper given by the Relief Society Tuesday evening, December 28th, was a grand success in every particular. The proceeds, which were $52.10, are to be used for missionary benifits.

James T. White and family gave a social Thursday evening in honor of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Finley, of Alabama. The evening was spent in playing games, after which refreshments of candy and nuts were served.

REPORT ON TAILINGS

The Committee's Sworn Report Will be Sent to Supreme Court.

In view of the fact that a stay was granted in the tailings case by the Supreme Court until January in order to give the mining companies more time to experiment, and also in view of the fact that the river has carried a greater supply of tailings during the past few months than every before, some of the canal companies appointed R. G. Layton and O. F. Webster as a committee to go to Clifton and investigate. Their report will be sworn to and presented to the Supreme Court. This action was found necessary on account of the vast amount of damage being done daily to the land.

The committee's report will say that they found the Shannon to be keeping all their tailings out of the river. That the Arizona Copper Company, at its mills in Clifton, is keeping most of the tailings, excepting the course, out of the river. That the same company has done a great deal of work in the Morenci canyon through which flows the tailings from concentrator No. 6, the largest one owned by the company, and are at present storing part of the tailings and slime, but the most of it is running into the river.

The committee also found that the Detroit Copper Company has made some preparations for holding their tailings, but up to date none are being stored, but are going into the river.

If the companies will show a disposition to hold the tailings the farmers will show the patient of of Job, but when the court has decreed that they must keep them out, and their own witnesses swore at the trial that they could do so, and two years afterward the water contains more tailings than it did before, and is ruining the farms as rapidly as possible, it is time for the pumpkin rollers to get busy.

"The Country Minister" a Grand Success

A large and enthusiastic audience was present at Todd's Hall, Tuesday night, to enjoy the comedy drama, in five acts, entitled: "The Country Minister." As usual, our local talent, pleased the people and earned hearty encores by their efficient work.

J. S. Abbott, as the Minister, was very clerical in appearance and acted the part of the hero like a veteran. Berry Foster was excellent in his part of the Gentlemanly Villian.

John J. Birdno made good in his character of the escaped convict. Ben Estes, as "Timothy Hodd, the Whittler," kept the audience convulsed with his witty sayings and local knocks.

P. D. Gardner, as Deacon Potter, was very good. Willie Hooks and Leo Jorgensen made hits in their characters of lovers of Roxy.

The rich heiress, who finally marrie the hero, the minister, was played by Miss Beulah Olney, who gave a very fine rendition of the character, and won the favor of the audience by her fine acting.

Bettie Taylor, as Jerusha Jane, was very good and showed great talent in handling her part.

Little Evelyn Gardner, as Roxy, the Waif, won the hearts of the audience. She played her part to perfection.

Nellie Perkins, as Granny Grimes, was a revelation, and, went through her part like a professional.

Sarah Wilson, as the maid, was good and played her part perfectly.

Between acts 1 and 2 was given a song and chorus, entitled "Ann." The solo was sung by Miss Beulah Olney and the chorus by the Misses. Mildred, Blanche and Jessie Birdno, Nellie and Hilda Perkins, May Thompson, Vera Evans, Henrietta Olney and Bettie Taylor. The girls were very prettily costumed and the song and chorus was heartily encored.

Between acts 3 and 4, "Topeka," an Indian dance and song, was given by the same chorus of girls, led by Miss May Thompson. The girls wore pretty Indian costumes and won hearty applause by their fine singing and dancing.

Little Yvonne Dial made a hit in her song, entitled, "I Know a Little Boy."

Miss Hilda Perkins also gave a very pretty Chinese song and dance, entitled, "Chink, Chink."

The training of the choruses and dances was under the direction of Mrs. W. K. Dial, who deserves great credit for the success of these very presentable and enjoyabe vaudeville acts.

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WANT RIGHT-OF-WAY

To Build Trans-Continental Line Down Valley and Through Box Canyon

Petitions are being circulated throughout eastern Arizona asking the Interior Department to grant a right-of-way through the box canyon below San Carlos.

The petition states that if the San Carlos dam is built that the railroad grade would have to be at least 142 feet above the river bed, and declares that such a height would prohibit the building of the road, which is to be a portion of the transcontinental line of the Southern Pacific.

The construction of this dam would not only prevent the building of this line, but would also destroy everything at San Carlos, including ten miles of the Gila Valley, Globe & Northern Railroad, which would cost, including the two bridges, $1,000,000 to rebuild.

Its construction would also stop the building of the Durango road, which is to be constructed from Durango, Colo., through Globe, to connect with the Southern Pacific at San Carlos.

The building of these roads are of vital importance to every citizen of eastern Arizona and all should assist in procuring the necessary right-of-way.

We would suggest that a public meeting of all citizens of the valley be held next Monday night in Safford for the purpose of considering the matter.

We do not wish to oppose any project necessary to the reclamation of the land of the Casa Grande valley, but it is not necessary for a storage reservoir to be constructed in the box canyon below San Carlos to accomplish this purpose. There are two other sites on the Gila River equally as good from which water can be conveyed to those lands, as well as other lands through this valley. Sufficient water could be stored in these two canyons to irrigate half of Arizona.

It is very much to be hoped that the government will not interfere with the building of these two railroads, especially in view of the fact that the reclamation service can find equally as good reservoir sites on the river as the one below San Carlos.

Grand Concert by Philharmonic Society

The above organization will present a very creditable program at Todd's Hall, next Tuesday night, January 4th. Their former work, presented at Layton a few evenings ago, will be repeated, with reveral additional numbers of a very high order. Besides four heavy chorus numbers, there will be solos, quartetts and double quartetts, sacred, sentimental and comic. Also elocutionary work of a very pleasing and educational character. The choruses will be rendered by sixty voices and ten instruments.

The proceeds of this excellent concert will be equally divided between the four denominations in Safford precinct, namely: The Methodist Episcopal, the Baptist, the M. E. Church, South, and the Mormon Church.

All are making improvements on their property, and as the Philharmonic Society is non-exclusive in character, so long as conduct worthy of emulation is maintained, we are the friends and helpers of all. Reserved seats on sale at The Palms.

The Clara Shaft To Be Enlarged

S. S. Campbell, of Boston, manager of the Lone Star Consolidated Copper Co., arrived here last week to make his annual visit to the company's property in the Lone Star District. Mr. Campbell states that the company intends to continue the work of retimbering and enlarging the Clara shaft, after which the sulphide orebody opened up at the 225 foot level will be thoroughly explored. This ore assays 16 per cent copper.

A tunnel will also be driven on the Clara claim directly under the mountain for the purpose of opening up sulphide orebodies.

A force of miners are steadily employed on this property, the principal work being done in the Clara shaft, under the supervision of Charles Spaulding, superintendent.

Now is a good time to plant trees. See Smith's Nursery for all kinds of fruit, shade and ornamental trees. 45-tf

James Parks, superintendent of the J H ranch, spent a couple of days in Safford this week.

BIG RACE MEETING

For February 22d at the Fair Grounds---Good Program Arranged

The board of directors of the Gila Valley Fair Association held a meeting last Monday night in the office of Justice Colton and decided to celebrate Washington's Birthday, February 22d, by holding a big race meeting.

A program was arranged for trotting and running races, and the purses agreed on will undoubtedly bring many entries from outside horse owners. The program and purses, are as follows;

Free for all trot or pace. Purse, $300.

Trot or pace, 2:45 class. Purse, $100.

Running race, 300 yards, saddle horses. Purse, $50

Running race, three-eighths mile. Purse $100.

Running race, one fourth mile. Purse $100.

The conditions are: Four to enter and three to start in each race.

Entrance fee, 10 per cent of purse. Entrance money to accompany each entry.

Entries will close February 1st with J. G. Belt, Secretary.

A Very Pretty Home Wedding

A very pretty wedding took place Wednesday evening at 8:30 o'clock, at the home of W. B. Fonda, in Layton, when his eldest daughter, Miss Lola Leah, was joined in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. C. Delbert Welker, Bishop J. R. Welker, brother of the groom, performing the ceremony.

About seventy-five guests were assembled in the spacious parlors, which were very prettily decorated in white and green, when the bride, attired in a beautiful gown of white crepe de chine, entered the parlor on the arm of the happy groom, while the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss Mae Dowdle, softly wafted through the rooms.

After the ceremony, the happy couple held a reception and received the congratulations of their guests.

Delightful refreshments of fruit punch and cakes were served, after which a program of music and recitations was given.

THE GUARDIAN joins with the many friends of the happy couple in wishing them a happy and successful wedded life.

Investigating Water Supply

S. S. Campbell, of Boston, accompanied by John J. Birdno, made a trip into the Graham mountains last Wednesday to investigate the water supply and the feasibility of installing water works for the valley.

Mr. Campbell was very much surprised to find such large streams of pure mountain water running to waste which should be used by the people of the valley. He made several photographs of the streams and reservoir sites, which he has taken East with him. He believes that with proper reservoirs anyone of several of the streams will furnish sufficient water to supply the valley, besides generating sufficient power for all the electricity required. Mr. Campbell started for Cincinniati on Thursday and expects to finance the scheme before spring.

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Notice for Publication

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U. S. Land Office at Phoenix, Arizona, December 28, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Gustavus A Shirley, of Safford, Arizona, who, on January 16, 1906, made Desert Land Entry No 5, Serial 04485, for SW ¼ of NW ¼, Section 8, Township 8 S, Range 26 E., G. & S. R. B. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Albert T. Colton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Safford, Arizona, on the 5th day of February, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses:

Jesse Murphy, Lehi Smithson, John Smithson, Thomas Hamblin, all of Safford, Arizona.

FRANK H. PARKER, Register.

ILL HEALTH IS MORE EXPENSIVE THAN ANY CURE

This country is now filled with people who migrate across the continent in all directions seeking that which gold cannot buy. Nine-tenths of them are suffering from throat and lung trouble or chronic catarrh resulting from neglected colds, and spending fortunes vainly trying to regain lost health. Could every sufferer but undo the past and cure that first neglected cold, all this sorrow, pain, anxiety and expense could have been avoided. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of colds, and can always be depended upon. Use it and the more serious diseases may be avoided. For sale by the Safford Drug Co.

George Crosby moved his library to Thatcher Tuesday.

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J. S. Abbott, Asst. Cashier

Hot Springs Notes

Judge Hawkins, was a Sunday visitor.

Ed. Hill, of Fort Thomas, is a Sunday visitor.

W. H. Baker, of Bisbee, is sojourning at the Springs.

G. W. Walter, of Globe, is at the Springs for rest and recreation.

Mrs. Carrie Russell and her son, Master Earl, of Fort Thomas, are Sunday visitors.

A. H. Anderson, of Morenci, Grand Sachem of the I. O. R. M., of Arizona, is a guest at the Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Creswell, of Fort Thomas, spent Christmas at Safford and report a delightful time.

Daniel D. Sullivan, of Globe, who has extensive business interests in the valley, was a guest at the Springs last week.

Many hunting parties have been out during the past week and have been very successful. Duck and quail shooting is especially good.

The schools and churches at Eden united and prepared and eleborate Christmas tree, which was unveiled in Palmer Hall on Christmas day.

J. George Hately made a business trip to Safford and Solomonville last week. Mr. Hately made a plea for better roads in this vicinity and if the promises made to him are carried out, this part of the valley will be much benefitted.

Mr. and Mrs. J. George Hately are guests at the Springs. Mr. Hately has charge of the great guano deposits at Batville. Batville is a very picturesque and beautiful formation situated in the Clay Buttes, about two miles from the Springs.

There was much merriment at the Hot Springs during Christmas time. A large tree, beautifully decorated, was unveiled Christmas Eve and many gifts were distributed to those present, after which Christmas festivities were enjoyed until a late hour. On Christmas day the coming of many visitors from the neighboring towns made this resort unusually gay. A number of the guests from the hotel attended the grand ball which was given at Eden Christmas night.

Some Real Estate Transactions

Several important realty transfers have been made during the week by the real estate firm of Stratton & Lynch.

Among them was the home and five acres of land of R. S. Patterson to Lee J. Broshears.

Another was twenty acres of land, owned by Dr. Belt, to Geo. S. Andrus, of Globe.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Cresswell were up from Thomas on Christmas day and while here purchased lot 9, in block 2, of Montclair addition to Safford. It is very much to be hoped that Mr. and Mrs. Cresswell will become residents of Safford.

FOR THAT DULL FEELING AFTER EATING

I have used Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for some time, and can testify that they have done me more good than any tablets I have ever used. My trouble was a heavy dull feeling after eating.—David Freeman, Kempt, Nova Scotia. These tablets strengthen the stomach and improve the digestion. They also regulate the liver and bowels. They are far superior to pills and cost no more. Get a free sample at the Safford Drug Co.'s drug store and see what a splendid medicine it is.

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DEPARTMEFNT OF THE INTERIOR

U. S. Land Office at Phoenix, Arizona, December 28, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Adline S. Jennings, of Safford, Arizona, who, on February 3, 1906, made Desert Land Entry, No 9 Serial 04488, for SE ¼ SW ¼ Section 9, Township 8 S, Range 26 E., G. & S. R. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Albert T. Colton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Safford, Arizona, on the 5th day of February, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses:

Samuel Tanner, Thomas R. Hamblin, Henry U. Russell, William Scarlett, all of Safford, Arizona.

FRANK H. PARKER, Register.

Fine Corn Whisky at The Palace.

A Presentation to Wm. Moore Claydon

On Christmas Eve the Sunday School had a good time at Layton Church. Supt. A. E. Jacobson was in charge of the program, which consisted of music and singing, as well as some work of an elocutionary character. Candy and nuts were supplied to the children. Messrs A. E. Jacobson, Jos. H. Bingham and Seth A. Merrill, on behalf of the Sunday School and Choir, surprised Wm. Moore Claydon with a very handsome combined secretary and bookcase, in recognition of his faithful, patient and efficient work of self denial and education amongst our young people in Layton and Safford. The recipient in his speech of acceptance showed that he appreciated the kindness shown, and said he was desirons of sharing all his joys and pleasures with those whom he surrounded, especially the juvenile portion of the community.

Thanks Public for Patronage

The committee in charge of the play, "The Country Minister," exiend thanks to the young people who took part in the play and manifested so much interest, and to the community in general for its support. and to THE GUARDIAN for its able assistance in the use of its columns.

The total receipts from sale of tickets and program, were, $192.25; the expenditures were $40.00, leaving a net balance of $152.25, to be applied on the parsonage.

P. D. GARDNER,
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LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

FOR SALE—Twelve good milch cows. Apply to E. E. Montierth, Thatcher road. 44-3t

Miss Lucy H. Purdum left Friday for Morenci, to visit friends during the holidays.

FOR RENT OR SALE—Ranch, in Artesian belt, 35 acres in cultivation, plenty of water. This offer closes in two weeks. M. E. Brenner. 45-2t

Marie Wingate and Lillian Archer left Sunday for Clifton and Morenci, on a visit to friends.

Trees, Vines, Shrubs and Roses at Smith's Nursery, Safford, Arizona. Write for price list. 42-tf

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Brier returned from a holiday visit to Silver City, N. M., Wednesday evening.

Want to buy one-half share of Montezuma water. Solomon-Wickersham Co. 44-tf

Ex-Governor Kibbey spent a few hours in town Wednesday, stopping over on his way to Globe to attend to some business matters.

Christopher Layton, of Iowa, who recently returned from a mission to the Southern States, left for Bowie Thursday morning to meet his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Birdno entained a few of their friends at dinner last Wednesday evening, in remembrance of the 22nd anniversary of their wedding day.

Judge J. M. McCollum, of Globe, has been appointed by Probate Judge T. S. Bunch, guardian of the estate of Miss Minnie Nutting, minor. Judge McCollum also holds power of attorney for the other two heirs of the Nutting estate, and will soon offer the interests of said heirs for sale.

Mr. and Mrs. John Damron entertained thirty-eight guests at a dinner and tree party Christmas Day, at their home in Thatcher. The dining room was beautifully decorated and a long table was set with all the delicasies of the season, a large roasted goose occupying the place of honor. The tree presented a very pretty sight with presents for every one present. The guests departed at a late hour after spending a most delightful evening.

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THE SAN CARLOS DAM SITE

According to a petition now going the rounds of the valley for signatures, which is to be sent later to Hon. Richard A. Ballinger, Secretary of the Interior, protesting against the government giving private individuals the right to construct a dam in the box canyon at San Carlos, certain individuals propose to locate a dam across the Gila River at San Carlos for the purpose of impounding the waters into a large reservoir, the ultimate purpose of the promoters, so they state, is to furnish a water supply for irrigating lands in the Casa Grande Valley in Pinal County.

Impounding waters into a lake or reservoir for the purpose of irrigating lands will appeal to most people, especially the farmer, as a very worthy object. But there seems to be a "nigger in the wood pile," that will probably only come to light if the plans of the promoters of the dam succeed.

In the first place the proposed height, 142 feet, would mean the inundation of the entire San Carlos basin and the destruction of the buildings and grounds of the San Carlos Indian Agency, besides submerging the tracks, depot and yards of the Gila Valley, Globe & Northern R. R. and the two bridges that cross the river, which would practically mean the abandonment of the transcontinental line down the Gila Valley and through the box canyon at San Carlos.

In the second place the proposed height, 142 feet, would not be needed if the waters are to be impounded for irrigation purposes only, but the "nigger" makes his presence known here. A height of 142 feet would give a horsepower sufficient to operate machinery and electric light plants, and there would be very little water left for irrigating lands, for the reason that to maintain sufficient horsepower at all times, some system of returning the waters to the lake would be put in operation, and this would have to be done because the water supply is too small otherwise for generating horsepower for commercial purposes.

In other words, there appears to be a scheme on foot to secure the dam site for the purpose of impounding the waters of the Gila River to generate horsepower and not for irrigating purposes.

The people of the Gila Valley are opposed to any such scheme. They know that there are several good sites higher up the valley where water could be impounded to give a plentiful supply, not only for the Gila Valley, but for the Casa Grande Valley also, by creating a diversion dam on the other side, and this would not interfere with the building of a railroad through the box canyon.

Careful estimates by engineers show that if the box canyon is given up by the government for a dam site that the destruction of property would amount to over a million dollars, and that the transcontinental line, as well as the line to Durango, Colo., would have to be abandoned.

In order to make the protest strong against the granting of this land for a dam site, it is proposed to hold a mass meeting of the people of the Gila Valley in Safford next Monday evening, when the whole matter can be fully considered and resolutions adopted to be sent to the Secretary of the Interior.

Poor little Georgie, Jr., is offended at THE GUARDIAN again. He is pouting and making monkey shines at us. We are very sorry and would not have wounded his feelings for anything, for he is such a pitiful sight when he is offended. If he will forgive us this time and stop those heartrending sobs, we will try to have the press association appoint him press censor so that he may know just what is going to be published in each paper. Please forgive us, Georgie!

Our respect for the dead will not permit us to comment on the demise of the late George Crosby's Paper, which is now born again as the "Gila Valley Record."

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(Continued from last week.)

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
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OFFICE OF
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
COUNTY OF GRAHAM,
TERRITORY OF ARIZONA.
SOLOMONVILLE, Dec. 2, 1909.

Board met at 9 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment of previous day.

Present:
H. J. Dowdle, member.
Z. C. Prina, member.
L. F. Vaughn, clerk.
Absent:
George Webster, chairman.

Minutes of previous day read and approved.

Upon motion of Z. C. Prina, Mr. Dowdle is made chairman pro tem.

Upon motion made and seconded, bond of the Gila Valley Bank & Trust Co. in the amount of $145,000.00 to secure county deposits is hereby approved, and in the same order the old bond of the said bank is hereby released.

Upon motion, put and carried, the County Treasurer is hereby directed to transfer the sum of $12,000.00 from the general county fund to the expense fund and $4,000 from the expense fund to the salary fund.

Upon motion, put and carried, $75.00 is hereby transferred from the general road fund to road district No. 7 fund.

Upon motion, put and carried, the following school land leases are granted for a term of five years:

Eighty acres, W. ½ of SE. ¼, Sec. 16, Tp. 7, R. 31, for grazing purposes, valued at $1.25 per acre to W. L. Alston, of Sheldon; 80 acres S. ½, SW. ¼, Sec. 36, Tp. 6, R. 19, grazing, to Joe Pennsyl, of Pima; 640 acres, Sec. 16, Tp. 6, R. 19, grazing purposes, valued at $1.25 per acre, to W. R. Wootan, of Klondyke; 640 acres, Sec. 16, Tp. 9, R. 23, grazing and agricultural purposes, to S. M. Finley, of Willcox.

Upon motion, put and carried, the Tip Top non-producing mine is ordered stricken from the assessment of J. W. Aylor, it having been shown to the Board that the same has never been patented.

The following resolution was passed by the Board:

Whereas, the County Assessor fixed an average valuation of Fifty Dollars ($50.00) per acre upon the non-producing patented mines of Graham County, for the purposes of taxation for the year 1909; and,

Whereas, the Territorial Board of Equalization at its meeting in August, 1909, ordered that for Territorial purposes the value of said non-producing patented mines be fixed at $39.67 per acre; and,

Whereas, It appears that no order has been made by this Board reducing the valuation of said non-producing patented mines as directed by said Territorial Board of Equalization, and that Territory and County taxes on said mines were computed on the valuation as returned by the County Assessor; now

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Graham County, Arizona: That the Tax Collector of Graham County, Arizona, be, and he is hereby directed to make the following reduction upon the following property and the taxes thereon as the same are assessed to the following named persons, companies and corporations:

Arizona Copper Company—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Veiled Prophet No. 1, Veiled Prophet No. 2, Veiled Prophet No. 3, Veiled Prophet No. 4, Veiled Prophet No. 6, 92.45 acres. Reduce valuation from $5,000.00 to $3,667.49; reduce taxes from $157.50 to $115.52; and Pyramid, Ida, Troy, El Cajon, Regulus ⅛, 89.52 acres. Reduce valuation from $4,333.33 to $3,551.26; reduce taxes from $136.50 to $111.87.

J. W. Aylor—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Clifton, Cliff, Good Luck, Tom and Jerry, Almo, Nevada, Chestnut, Jack Pot, Jack Pot No. 2, Webb City, Golden Rod, 203.594. Reduce valuation from $11,000.00 to $8,076.57; reduce taxes from $346.50 to $254.41.

John L. Bullis—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Imperial, Black Oak, Apex, Winsor, Western, Acorn, Lula, 131.117 acres. Reduce valuation from $7,000.00 to $5,201.41; reduce taxes from $220.50 to $163.84, and Teko, Iron King, 34.688 acres. Reduce valuation from $2,000.00 to $1,376.07; reduce taxes from $63.00 to $43.34.

Clifton Copper Company—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Copper Center, True Center, Lucky Number, Figure 7, Deep Down, Great Center, Outlet, Bon Ton, 163.22 acres. Reduce valuation from $8,000.00 to $6,474.94; reduce taxes from $252.00 to $203.96.

Coronado Mining Company—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Old Year, New Year No. 2, R. A. M., Holiday, Alaska, Arctic, Garnet, Garnet No. 2, Sapphire, Ruby, Emerald, Emerald No. 2, Copper Cliff, Joven, Burk, Butterfly, Topaz, Hide Out, Gilles, Isma, Hennesy, Little Mattie, Sophy, Judge, Little Joe, Shoo Fly, Martha, 452.657 acres. Reduce valuation from $21,400.00 to $17,956.91; reduce taxes from $674.10 to $565.65.

Detroit Copper Mining Company—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Lady Washihgton, Boss, 34.946 acres. Reduce valuation from $1,750.00 to $1,386.30; reduce taxes from $55.12 to $43.66.

J. Lezynsky—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Trinket, Chambon, Copper Prince, Copper Cliff, Copper Cross, 83.798 acres. Reduce valuation from $5,000.00 to $3,324.27; reduce taxes from $157.50 to $104.71.

Sophia R. Lakenan—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Katy L, Minnie L, Pine Tree, Globe, Tiger, Tonto, 124.26 acres. Reduce valuation from $6,000.00 to $4,929.39; reduce taxes from $189.00 to $155.28.

New England & Clifton Copper Company—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Copper, Republic, Solid Copper, Copper Verde, Monte Carlo, Blue Jay, Guigante, Standard, Hecksher, November, November No. 2, Good Boy, Regulation, Paramour, Last Spike, Buckeye, Sharpshooter, Famous, Meddler, Indiana, 323.406. Reduce valuation from $34,250.00 to $12,829.52; Reduce taxes from $1,078.87 to $404.13.

Shannon Copper Company—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Jolly Liar, Isabel, Copper Cliff, San Pedro, Black Diamond, Alaska, Limestone, 95.55 acres. Reduce valuation from $7,000.00 to $3,790.46; reduce taxes from $220.50 to $119.40.

Tri-Bullion Smelting & Development Company—Non-producing patented mines as follows: Kelley, Erie, Will Ryan, Nettie, Grand Central, Carlos, Starlight, Nellie, Helen, Olympia, Oregon, 150 acres. Reduce valuation from $7,000.00 to $5,950.50; reduce taxes from $236.25 to $187.44.

The following claims against Graham County were audited by the Board and the Clerk directed to draw warrants in their payment:

No.	To Whom	For What	War. No.	Claimed	Allowed
		EXPENSE FUND			
1180	Leo Hicks	Bounty	538	$7 00	$7 00
1338	A. Dias	Supplies to indigents	539	84 00	84 00
1339	J. A. Billingsley	" " "	540	20 00	20 00
1205	Young & Ridgway	" " "	541	20 00	20 00
1311	Jno. S. Waddill	" " "	542	15 00	15 00
1232	Jno. S. Waddill	" " "	543	15 00	15 00
1204	Jno. S. Waddill	" " "	544	15 00	15 00
1226	J. M. Foster Mercantile Co	" " "	545	15 00	15 00
186	J. A. Billingsley	" " "	546	20 00	20 00
919	Thatcher Imp. & Mercantile Co.	" " "	547	21 00	21 00
1185	G. W. Stinson	Indigent allowance	548	10 00	10 00
1340	Jno. D. Smithson	" "	549	15 00	15 00
1224	Jacob G. Bigler	" "	550	10 00	10 00
1235	Thomas Fisher	" "	551	15 00	15 00
1219	A. Dias	Supplies to indigent	552	8 00	8 00
1208	C. Garcia	" " "	553	50 50	50 50
907	C. Garcia	" " "	554	50 50	50 50
1143	A. Johnson & Co.	" " "	555	42 00	42 00
1142	Thatcher Imp. & Mercantile Co.	" " "	556	21 00	21 00
1183	C. T. Reynolds	" " "	557	30 00	30 00
1184	C. T. Reynolds	" " "	558	8 00	8 00
1108	C. Garcia	" " "	559	50 50	50 50
1212	Jim Hotel	Meals to jurors	560	12 00	12 00
1182	C. T. Reynolds	Supplies to indigent	561	20 00	20 00
1174	Thomas Fisher	Indigent allowance	562	15 00	15 00
1181	C. T. Reynolds	Supplies to indigent	563	6 00	6 00
1218	Adolph Schauer	Guard	564	4 50	4 50
435	Joaquin Padilla	Hospital rent	565	20 00	20 00
1343	Joaquin Padilla	" "	566	40 00	40 00
1337	W. R. Chambers	District clerk, fees	567	630 20	630 20
1279	G. W. Stinson	Indigent allowance	568	10 00	10 00
905	Shannon Coppe Co.	Supplies to indigent	569	59 85	59 85
1040	S. E. Roberts	Indigent allowance	570	20 00	20 00
1012	C. T. Reynolds	Supplies to indigent	571	6 00	6 00
1010	A. Dias	" " "	572	129 00	129 00
1011	C. T. Reynolds	" " "	573	15 00	15 00
994	J. R. Welker & Co.	" " "	574	37 55	37 55
1039	Mavericke-Clark Litho Co	Office supplies	575	91 45	91 45
1035	Feliciano Munoz	Supplies to indigent	576	6 55	6 55
1032	D. M. Roberts	Indigent allowance	577	10 00	10 00
1089	C. T. Reynolds	Supplies to indigent	578	6 00	6 00
1216	S. E. Roberts	Indigent allowance	579	20 00	20 00
1334	Jno. A. Owen	Bounty	580	30 00	30 00
1090	J. W. N. Scarlett	Care of indigent	581	75 00	75 00
1016	J. A. Billingsley	Supplies to indigent	582	20 00	20 00
1024	D. R. Smithson	" " "	583	60 00	60 00
1105	Jacob G. Bigler	Indigent allowance	584	10 00	10 00
1088	C. T. Reynolds	Supplies to indigent	585	8 00	8 00
1019	Jacob G. Bigler	Indigent allowance	586	10 00	10 00
1099	C. Garcia	Supplies to indigents	587	50 50	50 50
1114	Geo. W. Stanford	Transportation indigent	588	5 00	5 00
795	Solomon Com. Co	Supplies	589	190 32	190 32
1111	Solomon Com. Co	"	590	81 70	81 70
911	Olney Hdw. Co.	"	591	31 70	31 70
676	Olney Hdw. Co.	"	592	8 00	8 00
1147	Midlend Chem. Co.	Anti-Germine	593	60 00	60 00
710	J. H. Lacy	Indigent fare	594	8 50	8 50
909	Dr. F. L. Leister	Medical services	595	15 00	15 00
1117	Coronado Stage Line	Transportation	596	49 00	49 00
1299	Coronado Stage Line	"	597	45 70	45 70
341	Hammond Stephens Co.	School supplies	598	34 50	34 50
884	W. M. Welch Co	" "	599	5 50	5 50
657	Time Mirror Co	Dep. Assmnt. rolls	600	37 00	37 00
1186	D. H. Claridge	Postage, recorder	601	5 00	5 00
1298	L. F. Vaughn	Postage, clerk	602	15 45	15 45
1284	Jno. D. Williams	Postage	603	10 00	10 00

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		ROAD DISTRICT FUND			
1330	El Paso Bridge & Iron Co	Steel bridge	536	1625 00	1625 00
		UNAPPORTIONED MONEY			
133	W. F. Preston	Refund of taxes	537	1 57	1 57

The following road overseer's quarterly reports for the third quarter were checked and approved by the Board of Supervisors in open session:

George Skinner, District No. 7.
J. W. N. Scarlett, District No. 1.

Upon motion the Board adjourned at 4 o'clock p. m. to meet next day at 9 o'clock a. m.

Attest:
L. F. VAUGHN, Clerk.

GEORGE WEBSTER,
Chairman.

Ten Doctors Said He Would Die

"In 1903 we wrote you regarding my husband, who was suffering from heart trouble. He was superanuated by the North Georgian Conference. Ten doctors at different times said he would die. You advised Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy and Restorative Nervine; we did as advised, and improvement was apparent from the very first. He recovered and the Conference in 1904 gave him a charge. He never felt better, although he has very heavy work and does a great deal of camp meeting work. I am so glad we took your advice and gave him the medicine, and feel that I ought to let you know of the wonderful good results from its use."
MRS. T. S. EDWARDS,
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This proves what Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy will do. Get a bottle from your druggist and take it according to directions. It does not matter whether your heart is merely weak, or you have organic trouble, if it does not benefit you take the empty bottle to your druggist and get your money back.

Remedies are Needed

Were we perfect, which we are not, medicines would not often be needed. But since our systems have become weakened, impaired and broken down through indiscretions which have gone on from the early ages, through countless generations, remedies *are* needed to aid Nature in correcting our inherited and otherwise acquired weaknesses. To reach the seat of stomach weakness and consequent digestive troubles, there is nothing so good as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, a glyceric compound, extracted from native medicinal roots—sold for over forty years with great satisfaction to all users. For Weak Stomach, Biliousness, Liver Complaint, Pain in the Stomach after eating, Heartburn, Bad Breath, Belching of food, Chronic Diarrhea and other Intestinal Derangements, the "Discovery" is a time-proven and most efficient remedy.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated, tiny granules, easy to take as candy.

New Land Deals by The
Graham County Real Estate Company

The Alexander farm at Ft. Thomas, 440 acres of good land, with water rights and all improvements. At a bargain, one-third cash and balance on time.

Forty acres, three miles east of Safford, 125 per acre. Twenty-four acres in alfalfa and 16 acres grain land. Two and a half shares Montezuma water. Half cash, balance on time.

Thirty acres of land near Bryce, on the county road with water right, for $1,200.

For sale, entire equipment of Gibson Bros. dairy, in Globe; consisting of real estate, cows, horses, wagons, etc. Easy terms.

A good three-room brick house on Seventh street, with two lots and a good well of water. Price, $1,000.

A good home in Layton, with 2 1-2 acres of land in orchard. Good well of water and Montezuma water right. Price, $1,500. A snap.

Twenty fine city lots, centrally located in best section of Safford. These lots will be sold cheap for cash.

The Safford Skating Rink, Skates, Lights, etc., can be bought at a bargain. Present owner desires to leave country.

One share of Union Canal stock, for sale. Price, 100.

The Joe Robinson farm, 2 miles west of Thatcher, containing 200 acres of fine farming land, of which 95 acres are in alfalfa. Can be bought on ten year's time.

One hundred and fifty acres of land below Matthewsville. Eighty acres in cultivation. Price, $5,000. One-third cash, balance at 7 per cent.

The E. L. Tidwell farm of 800 acres, northeast of Solomonville, over 300 acres in cultivation, good water rights and plenty of stock and machinery. Can be bought on long time at low interest.

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J. T. Owens, Manager

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All kinds of fine Harness, from $8.00 to $55.00, for Best Oak Tan. Harness Parts and Saddles.

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Hot and Cold Baths at all Hours

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Avoid Baking Powders made from alum. They may raise the cake, but alum is deleterious and no one can eat food mixed with it without injury to health

THE MARRIAGE QUESTION

A couple of guests at the Walton were seated in the lobby of the hotel the other day engaged in earnest conversation upon the oft-discussed question of marriage, says the Duluth Tribune. One of them put it this way:

"Before a man's married he's a dude; after marriage he's subdued. Before marriage he has no buttons on his shirt, after marriage he has no shirt at all. Before marriage he swears that he would not marry the best woman on earth; after marriage he finds that he hasn't."

The other was not to be outdone. He told this:

"A young doctor friend of mine received a letter from a young wife recently saying: 'Your medicine has helped wonderfully. Three weeks ago I could not spank the ..., and now I am able to thrash ...husband. God bless you!'"

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DEFINITION OF AUTOMOBILE

The word automobile has been defined as follows:

Automobile: A large iron and rubber contrivance for transacting gasoline into speed, luxury, excitement and obituaries. It consists of a handsome leather upholstered carriage body mounted on a gizzard full of machinery suffering from various ailments. It is the speediest and most stylish form of transportation known. It can transport seven people to the police station, the bankrupt court or the golden gate in less time than any other known method.

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When you have pains or lameness in the back bathe the parts with Chamberlain's Liniment twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this liniment and bind it on over the seat of the pain, and you may be surprised to see how quickly the lameness disappears. For sale by Safford Drug Company.

HAVE YOU FOUND THE SHOE THAT JUST SUITS YOU?

When you buy shoes what do you look for? Style? Comfort? Quality? And how often you have put your foot into a trim, stylish-looking shoe, only to take it out as quick as possible because of the discomfort of it.

Or, perhaps you have gone around in shoes that offended your good taste—just for the sake of being comfortable or because there was good wearing material in them.

But when have you ever found all three qualities in the same shoe—Style—Comfort—Wear?

Never—unless you have worn the **Bradley Shoe.**

"Bradley" on your shoe is the same as "Sterling" on your silver—all solid *quality*.

The Bradley Shoe has the right look — and the right feel — and the right stuff in it to give you the worth of its price in wear twice over.

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REMEMBER THE HARNESS STORE

T. D. CROSS, Safford, Arizona

By LESTER GREY.

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To begin with, she was not a mother, but it had pleased the young artist to give the picture that name because it was his ideal of what his mother would have been if she had lived.

In real life she was a quiet little person, just over the brow of the highway of years, journeying softly, placidly down the smooth path, for the winter of existence lay hidden beyond turns in the road, and she had not glimpsed it yet.

It was not one of the large canvases of the exhibition, nor was it hung in the most desirable lights reserved for the great, yet it was well placed, for Dean Carroll, though young, had in a measure been recognized, and there were people of discernment who looked for his work.

The composition had been cleverly conceived. It showed a veranda corner of what was evidently an old ruin of a country house of half a century ago. The big French window, the half of an old colonial pillar and a general air of shabby gentility made a fitting frame for the sweet faced woman who sat in the modern wicker porch chair, a magazine on her lap and who looked straight out of the picture.

To one content to revel in the delight of it all it showed a happy mother speaking to some stalwart son who had brought her good news or perhaps just himself with a hearty greeting of love.

To the critic who sought to know why it pleased him the greatest charm seemed to be in the eyes. Carroll had done wonders there, and they seemed to carry a message of a mother love that had known no anxieties, no sleepless nights of wondering where some wandering boy was resting and praying that God might watch over him.

They were big, brown, expressive eyes, with the slightest suggestion of

"DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE PICTURE?"

wrinkled corners, a hint of age further carried out here and there in the hair by a touch of time's silver strands showing through the soft hued brown.

It attracted some attention from the writers, and friends told Carroll it was distinctly good. Otherwise it created no stir. It was one of half a hundred others equally creditable to the artists and would probably bring a decent enough sum when placed on sale.

Yet somehow Carroll liked to look at it, probably because it brought back to him memories of that Virginia summer when he feared he was close to death and of the gentle spinster who had nursed him past the crisis and mothered him through a happy convalescence.

His own mother had died when he was very young, and as he lay on his bed of illness watching her sweet face as she moved about the room it gave him joy to pretend that he was really her son, and it grieved him to think that perhaps years to come might be both lonely to her and full of trouble.

One afternoon when he stood half in a reverie of remembrance before the picture he was conscious that an elderly man near him was evincing more than usual interest.

He fumbled for his glasses, turned the leaves of the catalogue until he came to the number; then the eagerness died out of his face, and he turned away. But he came back and again looked upon it with no concealment of his appreciation.

The stranger noticed Carroll when he started away the second time and stopped to ask him:

"Do you know anything about the picture?"

"Why, yes, naturally. I painted it."

"You are Mr. Carroll, then. I was going to hunt you up. Is it for sale?" the older man inquired.

"Well, you know we artists have to live. Few of us paint for fame alone, so it is like the rest. Only I hope it goes to some one who will appreciate it. The circumstances of its painting are dear memories."

"Are you—are—you her—son? Tell me!" And the questioner put a trembling hand on the artist's shoulders.

"No," replied Carroll. "I wish I was, or, rather, if my own mother had lived I think she would have been like her."

"Can you spare me the time to tell ...u speak of— ...nk you, but ... to my house. I ... he led the way out. ...h of a story except in its ...ppeal to me," began Carroll ...moments later. "But I presume it reminds you of some one, and if the two women are alike I know you understand how fond I am of her.

"Last spring I was threatened with fever and was told to get out of the city. I found a quiet place owned by the original of the portrait, and she took me in. Unfortunately I did not escape soon enough, and the fever caught me. There was no one with her but an old servant, and I asked to be moved into the nearest town.

"She would not hear of it and nursed me on a journey to death's door and back again to the sunshine to the trees and the birds—and life. It is something that one cannot explain—her tenderness, her motherliness and the sense of comfort, of love even, for a stranger that she gave to me.

"Her entrance would light up my sickroom; her presence was better than all the medicine in the world. Frankly, she is the dearest, sweetest woman I have ever known. I was only two when my mother died. That's about all, I think."

"Mr. Carroll," his host began, "I have never met you, but am perhaps known to you. I am Judge Johnson Lee Carter, and I am from Virginia. When I was a hotheaded young man I was in love with a girl who is probably the double of the lady in your picture. I loved her devotedly, madly, sir, and she loved me. But I was headstrong, sir, and I quarreled with her one night and came north.

"All my life the years have been loveless except my love for her. Three, four, five years passed, and I knew she was probably married, so I have never inquired, but the picture, sir, brought it all back to me, all the years I have missed that might have been crowded with happiness, for they would have been happy ones. Mr. Carroll, sir, she was the finest lady on earth. Now you know why I want to buy your picture and"—

"Judge Carter, there can be no talk of buying and selling that picture after what you have told me. There, there; no one else will get it. The exhibition will last another month. You can get back from Albemarle county before that"—

"What are you saying, boy? Albemarle county? Why, that's where I lived. Is it Ruth? Is she a widow? Is she free, and is it"—

"Ruth Cressley, and she is not a widow," said Carroll quietly. "She has never married."

"Honest, boy? Honest? Forgive me, forgive me, Mr. Carroll. Then she didn't forget?"

"She is the sort who love once—for always, I think," and Carroll extended his hand.

"And the picture?" asked the judge.

"Will be my wedding present."

"God bless you, sir; God bless you," and there were tears in his eyes as he showed Carroll to the door.

Carroll is famous now and a few years older. Ask him the best thing he ever did and he will tell you "Mother." Perhaps you won't understand him, but Judge Carter knows, and Mrs. Johnson Lee Carter shares the knowledge.

The Masterpiece.

Alma Tadema, the artist, did not achieve fame at a single bound. He had a few ups to many downs before he was finally recognized as a painter of ability. In his student days one of his unsuccessful pictures was returned unsold by the committee of the Brussels exhibition of 1859. The subject was a house on fire, says the Associated Sunday Magazine.

Instead of a tirade against the stupidity or favoritism of the committee the artist asked his fellow students into his studio and invited them to jump through the canvas. He led the way by leaping head first through the oily flames.

A second unsuccessful effort was a large sized square picture that came back again and again to its creator's easel until at last he revenged himself upon it in a novel way by cutting the picture out of its frame and giving it to an old woman to use as a table cover.

There was some one at last to appreciate its excellence. The next time Alma Tadema saw the old woman she told him that it was "much better than those common oilcloth things. They always let the water through," she explained, "but that one of yours is a good thick one, with plenty of paint on it."

Chasing the Polar Bear.

A polar bear chase is not very dangerous if one has coolness of mind and a good gun. Taking everything into account, it is easier properly to wound a bear than to catch a rabbit between hedges, because in spite of his ferocity the bear knows very little about defending himself against man, armed as man is nowadays. Besides, the arctic bear does not recognize man as such and takes him, for the most part, for a seal. The pilot among the hunters, perched in his crow's nest on the mast of the vessel and provided with a huge telescope, can distinguish in clear weather a bear five kilometers off or farther, so the hunter has time to watch his prey and to prepare his plan of attack. One can have splendid hunts on the icebergs as well. Sometimes the bear takes to the water to escape. In this case he is lost, for he cannot swim as quickly as a boat can follow, and the hunter can kill him almost without running any risks. It is a fact worthy of remark that one ball will do it if well placed—that is to say, placed in the head. Many bears after being shot in the heart have swum 100 or 200 meters.

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Los Angeles, California

In the Probate Court

Of Graham County, Territory of Arizona.

In the matter of the estate of F. O. Curtis, deceased.

Order to show cause why order of sale of real estate should not be made.

It appearing to this court, by the petition this day presented and filed by John S. Waddill, administrator of the estate of F. O. Curtis, deceased, that it is necessary to sell the whole or some part of the real estate of decedent to pay the debts of decedent, the expenses and charges of administration, and that there is not sufficient personal property to pay the debts and expenses of administration.

It is therefore ordered that all persons interested in the estate of said deceased appear before the said Probate Court on Saturday, the 22d day of January, 1910, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the court room of said Court, at the court house in Solomonville, said County of Graham, Territory of Arizona, to show cause why an order should not be granted to said administrator to sell so much of the real estate as shall be necessary, and that a copy of this order be published in THE GRAHAM GUARDIAN, a newspaper printed and published in said county, for four successive weeks.

Dated December 22d, 1909.

44-4t T. S. BUNCH,
Judge of the Probate Court.

Notice to Creditors

Estate of William N. Sparks, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of William N. Sparks, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administratrix, at the office of Stratton & Lynch, Safford, Arizona, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in said County of Graham.

MARTHA N. SPARKS,
Administratrix of the estate of William N. Sparks, deceased.

Dated this 8th day of December 1909. 42-4t

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

U. S. Land Office at Phoenix, Arizona.
December 13, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Charles E. Finch, of Safford, Arizona, who, on June 19, 1908, made homestead entry No. 1773, Serial 04443, for the E ½ NE ¼, and N ½ SE ¼, Section 30, Township 7 S., Range 26 E., G & S. R. Meridian has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Albert T. Colton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Safford, Arizona, on the 28th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses:

Robert A. Smith, Robert B. Capt, William Waddell, William C. Neese, all of Safford, Arizona.

FRANK H. PARKER, Register.

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No.	To Whom	For What	War. No.	Claimed	Allowed
		EXPENSE FUND			
1028	D. H. Claridge	Postage, recorder	604	$6 00	$6 00
1346	D. H. Claridge	" "	605	7 50	7 50
1020	Arizona Bulletin.	Printing	606	33 00	33 00
1066	Arizona Bulletin.	"	607	31 95	31 95
1258	Arizona Bulletin.	"	608	6 29	6 29
1344	Mrs. Dell Browning	Indigent allowance	609	20 00	20 00
1165	Copper Era	Printing	610	28 95	28 95
629	B. F. Billingsley	Jail supplies	611	13 75	13 75
641	Joaquin Figueroa	Labor on jail	612	5 00	5 00
1215	Graham Guardian.	Printing	613	59 84	59 84
1225	W. M. Boggs	Blacksmithing	614	5 00	5 00
901	W. M. Boggs	"	615	1 00	1 00
1319	W. M. Boggs	"	616	75	75
1325	Jno. H. Lacy	Hospital contract	617	255 00	255 00
1100	Jno. H. Lacy	" "	618	306 00	306 00
1122	T. S. Bunch	Postage	619	4 50	4 50
1196	J. H. Lacy	Hospital	620	304 00	304 00
	The following demands were disallowed:				
1190	A. Dias	Supplies to Fernando Gallego	$12 40		
1092	Solomon Com. Co.	Duplicate bill	50 50		
816	Neel's Transfer	Hauling dead burro	2 00		
1206	Neel's Transfer	" 2 burros	2 00		
1242	Midland Chemical Company	Anti-germine	60 00 (Duplicate.)		
		ALLOWED—ROAD FUND			
900	Boggs & Johnson	Blacksmithing	281	3 75	3 75

Upon motion, the Board adjourned at 4 o'clock p. m. to meet next day at 9 o'clock a. m.

L. F. VAUGHN, Clerk.

H. J. DOWDLE, Chairman Pro Tem.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GRAHAM COUNTY

OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF GRAHAM, TERRITORY OF ARIZONA.

SOLOMONVILLE, Dec. 3, 1909.

Board met at 9 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment of previous day.

Present:
George Webster, chairman.
H. J. Dowdle, member.
Z. C. Prina, member.
L. F. Vaughn, clerk.

Minutes of previous day read and approved.

Upon motion, duly put and carried, it is hereby ordered that $600.00 be taken from the assessment of Chas. W. Parks, owing to erroneous assessment.

The following claims against Graham County were audited by the Board and the Clerk directed to draw warrants in their payment:

No.	To Whom	For What	War. No.	Claimed	Allowed
		EXPENSE FUND			
1064	H. H. McNeil Co	Office supplies	621	$10 50	$10 50
1189	A. Dias	Meals to jury	622	99 70	99 70
917	L. A. W. Burtch	Health officer	623	30 20	30 20
1146	L. A. W. Burtch	Examination of insane	624	10 00	10 00
1062	A. Dias	Supplies to jail	625	4 50	4 50
1220	A. Dias	Boarding prisoners	626	204 82	204 82
1061	A. Dias	" "	627	212 96	212 96
914	A. Dias	Cord wood	628	600 00	600 00
1191	A. Dias	Supplies	629	1 95	1 95
1360	A. Dias	Boarding prisoners	630	143 22	143 22
1326	E. B. Van Veen	Transcripts	631	93 90	93 90
1176	Jim Gillespie	Jury Bailiff	632	8 00	8 00
687	Consldt. Tel., Tel. & Elect. Co.	Phones	633	43 25	43 25
1175	Frank Hyatt	Jury bailiff	634	8 00	8 00
1161	E. Gomez	Court interpreter	638	50 00	50 00
1361	West Pub. Co.	Law books	635	16 00	16 00
614	J. H. Lacy	Wood, hospital	636	3 50	3 50
1213	Jno. Bilby	Court bailiff	637	68 00	68 00
1262	Los Angeles Rubber Stamp Co	Supplies	639	20 85	20 85
855	Detroit Copper Co.	Supplies to jail	641	7 50	7 50
1021	Becker-Franz Co	Supplies, Clifton jail	642	23 50	23 50
181	Becker-Franz Co.	" " "	643	24 00	24 00
1261	Ariz. Copper Co	Electric lights at jail	644	30 00	30 00
1197	J. H. Lacy	Wood, hospital	645	3 00	3 00
1112	Ariz. Copper Co	Jail rent	646	6 83	6 83
1065	Dorsey Print. Co	Supplies	647	47 90	47 90
1079	Consldt. Tel., Tel. & Elect. Co	Phones	648	48 56	48 56
1102	Jno. H Lacy	Prof. service to indigent	649	6 00	6 00
1077	L. A. W. Burtch	Examination of insane	650	5 00	5 00
1288	Joe Reaves	Guard	651	30 00	30 00
1269	Luther Green	Fair commissioner	652	80 10	80 10
1018	Luther Green	Supplies to gas plant	653	2 90	2 90
1013	A. Dias	Boarding prisoners	654	170 28	170 28
1119	Detroit Copper Co.	Labor	655	2 32	2 32
763	Ariz. Copper Co	Supplies	656	43 00	43 00
1209	Joe Gourley	Jail guard	657	57 00	57 00
368	Detroit Copper Co.	Supplies for jail	658	26 25	26 25
1043	Detroit Copper Co.	Supplies for jail	659	25 00	25 00
331	Frank Neese	Bounty	660	34 00	34 00
1297	Frank Neese	"	661	221 25	221 25
1268	J. P. Hayes	"	662	12 00	12 00
932	Frank Neese	"	663	50 00	50 00
962	Frank Neese	"	664	23 25	23 25
1034	Frank Neese	"	665	62 00	62 00
549	Frank Neese	"	666	43 00	43 00
1134	I. E. Solomon	Water for courtyard	667	7 50	2 50
805	I. E. Solomon	" " "	668	7 50	2 50
1054	Sam Abrams	Boarding prisoners	669	274 60	274 60
918	Morenci Water Co.	Water, jail	670	49 20	28 20
283	Morenci Water Co.	" "	672	8 86	8 86
930	Clifton Water Co.	" "	671	30 00	30 00
1192	R. I. Adams	Jury bailiff	673	4 00	4 00
1193	R. H. Samuel	Jury Bailiff	674	4 00	4 00
1163	E. Gomez	Court interpreter	675	28 20	28 20
465	Becker-Franz Co.	Supplies for jail,	676	20 25	20 25
1139	E. F. Foster	Grand jury interpreter,	677	15 00	15 00
1160	W. R. Bingham	Court bailiff	678	40 00	40 00
1159	J. Bingham	Jury bailiff	679	52 00	52 00
1363	Thomas J. Carroll.	Plumbing jail	680	56 55	43 55
450	H. H. McNeil Co	Supplies	681	294 90	294 90
1148	W. H. Gillespie	Jury bailiff	682	8 00	8 00
1345	J. L. Massey	Guard	683	39 00	39 00
1221	A. J. Owens	Mileage	684	14 30	14 30
1210	S. M. Higgins	Repairs to court house	685	10 50	10 50
646	A. W. Chesley	Election services, 1908	686	3 00	3 00
1124	D. E. Andress	Coroner fees	687	110 00	110 00
1123	D. E. Andress	Burial of pauper	688	30 00	30 00
452	A. M. Turner	Wood, Clifton jail	690	55 00	55 00
1098	Jno. D. Patty	Mileage	691	159 20	159 20
1093	Jno. D. Patty	Cash expense	692	12 60	12 60
1097	Jno. D. Patty	Interpreter fees	693	50 00	50 00
797	George Phillips	Quarantine guard	694	110 00	66 00
1277	T. S. Bunch	Probate fees	695	32 25	32 25
1358	L. Haltman	Bounty	701	12 00	12 00
363	W. A. Lines	Supplies to indigent	702	4 00	4 00
481	W. A. Hart	Guarding jail	703	9 00	9 00
1125	George Burkner	Sanitary work	704	79 05	79 05
968	Eleno Velasques	Quarantine guard	705	24 00	18 00
969	Andres Calderon	" "	706	22 00	16 50
697	Francisco Salais	" "	707	15 00	15 00
970	R. D. Rowley	" "	708	27 00	18 00
1080	Thos. Dodge	" "	709	25 00	25 00
695	Jesus M. Ochoa	" "	710	15 00	15 00
1142	Len Scott	Sanitary officer	711	48 00	48 00
1081	F. H. Holliday	Quarantine guard	712	25 00	25 00
694	Andres Nunez	" "	713	31 75	31 75
1362	J. A. Billingsley	Supplies to indigent	714	20 00	20 00
696	Ignacio Grifalda	Quarantine guard	715	31 50	31 50
1009	Alex Arnett	Burial of indigent	716	30 00	30 00
1194	C. G. Cole	Stenographer, inquest	717	18 25	18 25
801	Perry Jones	Quarantine guard	718	37 50	22 50
1260	Carlos R. Alvidres.	Interpreter at inquest	719	5 00	5 00
798	Mosley Wilkerson.	Quarantine guard	720	37 50	22 50
693	Clifton Benevolent Association	Care of prisoner	721	00 00	00 00

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